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Traditional, Modern & Contemporary Indian Art; Online Auction on 7th & 8th November 2019

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Art works and paintings of eminent artists will be auctioned by Bid & Hammer in New Delhi on 7th & 8th November 2019. Paintings from Manjit Bawa, M.F Husain, J. Swaminathan, V.S Gaitonde, F. N Souza, N.S Bendre and also a rare painting attributed to Raja Ravi Varma. Alongside prominent works by these stalwarts of modern Indian art, on offer are rare Tanjore, Kalighat, Murshidabad and Bengal School paintings to compliment the works of renowned artists Jogen Chowdhury, Ram Kumar, G R Santosh, K K Hebbar and the contemporaries like Thota Vaikuntam, Padmanabh Bendre, Rekha Rao, S G Vasudev, Shobha Broota and G R Iranna amongst others.

With a total of 55 lots on offer, the estimates begin from as low as Rs 4,000 going up to Rs. 1.5 crores and as always, the origin and provenance of the works stand out with many of them coming as they are from the artists directly and acquired by notable collectors. The selected highlights being a magnificent oil on canvas by the late Manjit Bawa (1941 – 2008) depicting a 'Lady with Parrot' against an ochre background, painted in 1998, reminiscent of his trademark bright Kalighat Patua style compositions. The work is estimated between Rs 90 lakhs and Rs. 1.2 crores.

Another important work is from the first artist-in-residence at the Rashtrapati Bhavan and Rajya Sabha MP Jogen Chowdhury. Titled 'Abu Ghraib' and painted in his studio at Shantiniketan in 2005, the name evokes pain, suffering and torture, a distinctive feature of Jogen's works as he himself suffered the horrors of partition says Ankush Dadha, director, Bid & Hammer. For details and to register for the auction please visit the website www.bidandhammer.com or download the app 'Bid & Hammer' from the Google Playstore or Apple Store.